

**Department of Environmental Health
Hazardous Materials Division
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New Regulations Regarding Training and Certification requirements for UST Owners and Operators, Service Technicians, Installers and Inspectors

Senate Bill 989, passed in January 2000, required that UST Owners and Operators, Service Technicians, Installers and Inspectors meet minimum industry established training standards. The State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) passed regulations that set the timelines for all the above groups to possess a current certificate issued by the International Code Council (ICC), by passing the appropriate exam. The table below summarizes these requirements. For additional information regarding these regulations, access them on the SWRCB website at:

http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/ust/regulatory/new_regs/index.html

GROUP	CERTIFICATION EXAM TO PASS	DEADLINE TO PASS EXAM
Designated UST Operators*	UST System Operator Exam	01/01/2005
UST Installers*	Installation/Retrofitting Exam	01/01/2005
Service Technicians*	UST Service Technician Exam	07/01/2005
Local Agency or Special Inspectors conducting UST inspections**	UST Inspector Exam	09/01/2005
ALL CERTIFICATIONS MUST BE RENEWED EVERY 24 MONTHS		
* Certifications must be renewed by re-taking and passing exam.		
** Certifications can be renewed by either passing the exam, or satisfying equivalent approved criteria.		

Useful information to prepare for the ICC California Operator exam

TESTING MATERIALS

[HSC Chapter 6.7](#)

California Statutes

Underground Storage of Hazardous Substances
Health & Safety Code, Chapter 6.7

[23 CCR, Title 23](#)

California Regulations

UST regulations, CCR Title 23, Division 3, Chapter 16

[EPA 510-B-97-007](#)

32 pages

Straight Talk on Tanks

Leak Detection Methods for Petroleum Underground Storage Tanks and Piping

[EPA 510-B-00-008](#)

51 pages

Operating and Maintaining UST Systems

Practical Help and Checklists

[EPA 510-K-95-004](#)

16 pages

Dollars and Sense

Financial Responsibility Requirements for Underground Storage Tanks

[2003 ICC CANDIDATE BULLETIN](#)

31 pages

[Chapter 6.7 Health and Safety Code: Underground Storage of Hazardous Substances](#)